# School Health Advisory Committee (SHAB) March 27, 2006 Minutes

## **Those present:**

Barbara St. Martin Vanessa Akin Carol Lysher Kathy Whitby Jean Hoppe Carol Dexter Mary Anne Spinella Margaret Peterson (presenter)

## **Nurse Presentation**

Margaret Peterson, nurse from Widewater Elementary made a presentation regarding inappropriate space for clinic use. She has been moved from a larger room with a window to a smaller room with no window (used previously as the file room). There is no sink in the room, only a sink in the bathroom.

Disabled students (wheelchair-bound) are unable to navigate in the room, especially in the bathroom. If there is a power outage, the room is completely dark. If the clinic is in a room with a window, at least the daylight would keep the room brighter. There is no private space to meet with parents or students.

The nurse closed by stating the students need a clean, more open and safer environment. It would improve the atmosphere of the clinic, facilitate health and provide a safer environment.

### **Physical Activity and Physical Education Draft Guidelines**

Carol Lysher presented draft guidelines for each. The PE teachers are in the process of updating the guidelines as such. Summary of guidelines include:

- \*K-10<sup>th</sup> grade have age-appropriate PE
- \*30 minutes of activity in PE class (nationally recommended guidelines)
- \*PE classes taught by certified PE teachers
- \*Elementary schools should provide at least 30 minutes of recess daily, while providing 20 minutes daily during PE days
- \*Discipline should not be in the form of recess nonparticipation
- \*PE should have adequate space and equipment
- \*Keep grounds safe and well-maintained
- \*Schools provide information to parents to promote active and healthy lifestyles

### Dr. Murray's Proposed Budget

Items impacting SHAB include adding a fulltime (12-month) Counseling Coordinator, extending the elementary counselors positions to 210 days and upgrading the nurses' salaries (3 phases) to that of the Teacher's salary